	Application No.	Applicant(s)
Supplemental ***Notice of Allowability***	09/557,149	YOHANAN, STEVEN J.
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1. ☒ This communication is responsive to *Amendment 5/17/05, Examiner's Amendment 11/16/05.*

2. ☒ The allowed claim(s) is/are *3-16.*

3. ☐ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).

     a) ☐ All   b) ☐ Some*   c) ☐ None   of the:

         1. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.

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4. ☐ A SUBSTITUTE OATH OR DECLARATION must be submitted. Note the attached EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT or NOTICE OF INFORMAL PATENT APPLICATION (PTO-152) which gives reason(s) why the oath or declaration is deficient.

5. ☐ CORRECTED DRAWINGS (as "replacement sheets") must be submitted.

     (a) ☐ including changes required by the Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948) attached

         1) ☐ hereto or 2) ☐ to Paper No./Mail Date _____ .

     (b) ☐ including changes required by the attached Examiner's Amendment / Comment or in the Office action of

         Paper No./Mail Date _____ .

    Identifying indicia such as the application number (see 37 CFR 1.84(c)) should be written on the drawings in the front (not the back) of each sheet. Replacement sheet(s) should be labeled as such in the header according to 37 CFR 1.121(d).

6. ☐ DEPOSIT OF and/or INFORMATION about the deposit of BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL must be submitted. Note the attached Examiner's comment regarding REQUIREMENT FOR THE DEPOSIT OF BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL.

Attachment(s)

1. ☐ Notice of References Cited (PTO-892)

2. ☐ Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948)

3. ☐ Information Disclosure Statements (PTO-1449 or PTO/SB/08), Paper No./Mail Date _____

4. ☐ Examiner's Comment Regarding Requirement for Deposit of Biological Material

5. ☐ Notice of Informal Patent Application (PTO-152)

6. ☒ Interview Summary (PTO-413), Paper No./Mail Date *11/16/05* .

7. ☒ Examiner's Amendment/Comment

8. ☒ Examiner's Statement of Reasons for Allowance

9. ☐ Other _____ .

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Supplemental Reasons For Allowance

1.   The amendment filed 5/17/05 has been entered.

2.   An examiner's amendment to the record appears below. This was made
to bring the claims that were still determined unallowable by the Decision of the Board
of Appeals 3/17/05, as well as the new claims introduced by the amendment 5/17/05,
into condition for allowance by incorporating into those claims the explicit feature of
determining whether the browser is already open and if so navigating to the site address
associated with the icon.   Should the changes and/or additions be unacceptable to
applicant, an amendment may be filed as provided by 37 CFR 1.312. To ensure
consideration of such an amendment, it MUST be submitted no later than the payment
of the issue fee.

3.   Please amend the claims as follows:

3. (currently amended)   A graphical interactive method for permitting a computer
system to access a web site, the method comprising the steps of:

displaying a desktop icon on a desktop, said desktop icon associated with an
address of the web site;

if a web browser application is not currently executing, launching a web browser
application in response to a user of said computer system selecting said desktop icon

for execution, ~~if said web browser application is not currently executing;~~ and accessing

the web site using said web browser application and said address of the web site; or

if a web browser application is currently executing, in response to a user

of said computer system selecting said desktop icon for execution, accessing the web

site using said currently executing web browser application and said address of the web

site.

4. (previously presented)   A graphical interactive method for permitting a computer

system to access a web site, said method comprising the steps of:

displaying a desktop icon on a desktop, said desktop icon associated with a file

containing information relating to the web site;

accessing the web site using an already executing web browser application and

said address for the web, in response to a user of said computer system selecting said

desktop icon for execution, wherein said web browser application is separate from said

file.

5. (previously presented)   A graphical interactive computer system for accessing a

desired document located at a network location, comprising:

means for displaying a desktop icon on a desktop, said desktop icon associated

with a file containing a network address corresponding to the network location;

means for enabling a user of the computer system to interactively select said

desktop icon for execution;

means for launching a web browser application in response to the user selecting

said desktop icon for execution, if said web browser application is not currently

executing, wherein said application is separate from said file; and

means for retrieving the desired document from the network location using said

web browser application and said network address.

6. (previously presented)   A graphical interactive method for permitting a first

computer system to access a web site, said method comprising the steps of:

receiving a desktop icon associated with a file from a second computer system,

said file containing an address corresponding to web site;

displaying the desktop icon on a desktop of the first computer system;

launching a web browser application in response to a user of the first computer

system selecting said desktop icon for execution; and

accessing the web site using said web browser application and said address

corresponding to the web site.

7. (previously presented) The method of claim 6, wherein said receiving step comprises

receiving an e-mail from the second computer system, said e-mail including said

desktop icon.

8. (previously presented) The method of claim 6, wherein said receiving step comprises receiving an internet message from the second computer system, said internet message including said desktop icon.

9. (currently amended) One or more computer-readable media having computer-readable instructions thereon which, when executed by a programmable device, if a web browser application is not currently executing, launch the web browser application in response to a user of the programmable device selecting a desktop icon on a desktop for execution, the desktop icon associated with an address of a web site accessible by the web browser application or, if a web browser application is currently executing, use the currently executing web browser application for accessing the web site in response to a user of the programmable device selecting the desktop icon.

10. (currently amended) A desktop icon for display on a desktop, said desktop icon associated with a web site wherein selection of the desktop icon launches a web browser application, if the web browser application is not currently executing, and causes the web browser application to access the web site or, if a web browser application is currently executing, causes the currently executing web browser application to access the web site.

11. (currently amended) One or more computer-readable media having computer-readable instructions thereon which, when executed by a programmable device in

response to selection of a desktop icon displayed on a desktop, the desktop icon

associated an address of a web site, if a web browser application is not currently

executing, launch a web browser application, if the web browser application is not

currently executing, the web browser application capable of accessing the web site

using the address or, if a web browser application is currently executing and capable of

accessing the web site using the address, use the currently executing web browser

application for accessing the web site using the address.

12. (currently amended) A graphical interactive system comprising:

     means for displaying a desktop icon on a desktop, said desktop icon associated

with an address of a web site;

     means for launching a web browser application, if said web browser application

is not currently executing, in response to a user of said system selecting said desktop

icon for execution; and

     means for accessing the web site using said web browser application and said

address of the web site; and

          means for accessing the web site, if a web browser application is currently

executing, using the currently executing web browser application and said address of

the web site in response to a user of said computer system selecting said desktop icon

for execution.

13. (currently amended)   A graphical interactive method for permitting a computer system to access a web site, the method comprising the steps of:

displaying a desktop icon on a desktop, said desktop icon associated with an address of the web site; and

in response to a user of said computer system selecting said desktop icon for execution, deciding if a web browser application is already executing and, if so, accessing the web site using an the already executing web browser application and said address of the web site.

14. (currently amended) One or more computer-readable media having computer-readable instructions thereon which, when executed by a programmable device, decide if a web browser application is already executing and, if so, use the an already executing web browser application to access a website in response to a user of the programmable device selecting a desktop icon on a desktop for execution, the desktop icon associated with the address of the web site accessible by the web browser application.

15. (currently amended) A desktop icon for display on a desktop of a computer, said desktop icon associated with a web site, wherein selection of the desktop icon causes the computer to decide if a web browser application is already executing and, if the web browser application is already executing, the selection causing the computer to uses an the already executing web browser application and to causes the web browser application to access the web site.

16. (currently amended) A graphical interactive system comprising:

means for displaying a desktop icon on a desktop, said desktop icon associated with an address of a web site;

means for deciding whether a web browser application is already executing using an already-executing web-browser-application in response to a user of said system selecting said desktop icon for execution; and

means for accessing the web site using said already executing web browser application and said address of the web site.

4.   Authorization for this examiner's amendment was given in a telephone interview with Mr. Brian Pangrle on 11/16/05.

5.   The following is an examiner's statement of reasons for allowance: The amendment filed 5/17/05, in combination with the Examiner's Amendment 11/16/05 together place the application into condition for allowance. Claims 3-12 were pending in the application. Per the Decision of the Board of Appeals 3/17/05, claims 4-8 were deemed allowable over the prior art of record, but claims 3 and 9-12 were still determined to be unallowable. In response to this, applicant filed an amendment 5/17/05 attempting to place claims 3 and 9-12 as well as additional new claims 13-16 into condition for allowance. But in view of the interpretation of the 3/17/05 Decision, it

was decided that these claims still lacked sufficient elements such as the web browser

being separate than the address file or on a separate computer system (as is recited in

allowable claims 4-8), and that these claims at that point did not distinguish over merely

selecting an icon to launch a browser that navigates to an internal default site. It was

agreed that to put these claims into condition for allowance, that they would be further

amended to fully bring out determining if the browser is already executing and if so to

then navigate the already executing browser to the site address associated with the

selected icon. The Examiner's Amendment fully brings out these features in those

claims. These claims now as amended show how multiple instances of a browser

application would not be executed, and the claims all distinguish beyond merely

launching a browser when an icon is selected that navigates to an internal browser

default site address. Independent claims: 3 amended - the method. 4 amended - the

method which recites the browser application is separate from the file. 5 amended - the

system which recites the browser application is separate from the file. 6 amended – the

method where the file is on a separate computer system. 9 amended – computer

readable media performing the method as described. 10 amended – system recited

from perspective of desktop icon. 11 amended – computer readable media recited from

perspective of selecting the desktop icon. 12 amended – system. 13 amended –

method that recites "deciding" if the browser is currently executing. 14 amended –

computer readable media that recites "deciding" if the browser is currently executing.

15 amended - system recited from perspective of desktop icon that recites "deciding" if

the browser is currently executing. 16 amended – system that recites "deciding" if the browser is currently executing.

Any comments considered necessary by applicant must be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee and, to avoid processing delays, should preferably accompany the issue fee. Such submissions should be clearly labeled "Comments on Statement of Reasons for Allowance."

6.   Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Steven P. Sax whose telephone number is (571) 272-4072. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday thru Friday, 8:30 AM - 5:00 PM.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Kristine Kincaid can be reached on (571) 272-4063. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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